

JOIE RAY, BADLY BEATEN AT HIS OWN DISTANCE, SHAKES HANDS WITH NURMI AND CONGRATULATES HIM—ITALIAN WALKING STAR DOES HIS STUFF—DUSTY LEAGUE NOW TOPPED BY P. AND F. CORBIN TEAM—KAPLAN SIGNS FOR A BOUT IN THE WEST

JOIE RAY, DECISIVELY DEFEATED BY NURMI, SHAKES RIVALS HAND

Chicago Flier Makes Friends in Defeat As He Congratulates Finnish Rival and Latter, Smiling At Last, Returns Handshake.

By The Associated Press.  
New York, Jan. 28.—Joie Ray Chicago's blond flier, ran the greatest race of his life in Madison Square Garden last night.  
He started in this event after his heart had been torn by defeat at the hands of a remarkable man from far off Finland, and it seemed that the little man had given his all in a last futile attempt to check the European track mentor. He had driven the invader to a new world record, but he had failed.  
The big race had ended and cheers filled the hall, for the conqueror when little Joie set out upon the greatest run he or any other

P. AND F. CORBIN NOW TOPS RIVALS IN DUSTY CIRCUIT

Defeats Russell & Erwin While Stanley Works Win From Rule Shop—Work of Guards Feature Contests.

Comparatively speaking, with reference to recent games, the Dusty League basketball games last night were rather tame affairs. The Stanley Works defeated the Rule Shop 19 and 14 and P. and F. Corbin defeated Russell and Erwin 21-18. At that however, the fans saw the guards come into their own in both games and the brand of guarding demonstrated measured up to any seen this season in this circuit. All four guards in each game played whirlwind games, covering their men constantly and breaking up many plays that looked as though they were slated to come through with scores at the final end. Last night's game broke the tie for first place, the Corbin team now holding that place with 4 wins and 1 loss.

Corbin vs. R. and E.  
The Russell and Erwin game started slowly and more than two minutes passed before there was any scoring. Then Goodrich, who was playing forward, dropped on in from scrimmage. Holst evened it up a little later when he made good on two free tries. After more passing, dropping, dribbling and stumbling, R. and E. got the ball under its own basket and Morelli sped down the floor with a fast exhibition of dribbling. He flipped it to Saxe and the latter came through with a double dunker. R. and E. fouls gave Jasper two free tries and he missed them both but Paris, following up the last shot, batted it in for two points and then on assumption of play teased one in from the side. Schultz also scored when he knocked one in that had bounded off the backboard. Arbur, who was playing a very good game at guard for Corbin, also got into the scoring when he threw a double dunker from the floor. Holst had been going like a house afire all this half and just before the whistle blew he threw in his fourth floor basket. Corcoran, who had entered the game for R. and E. committed the technical error of talking, but Jasper missed on his free shot but as the whistle blew made good on a two pointer. The features of this first half were the floor work and accurate shooting of Holst and the effective guarding of both Paris and Arbur for the Corbin team and the guarding by Saxe and Morelli for R. and E. The half ended with the score 21-18, Corbin.

The Russell and Erwin five made one of their famous last half spurts in the second half but the Corbin lead was too great and a closing spurt by Schultz and Holst killed what little chances they did have. However, the R. and E. team scored eight points in the second half before the Corbin talked at all. Whitman, Morelli, Scheidel and Saxe denting the basket for double dunkers. Morelli got a second two pointer in this half, but when Schultz and Holst found their stride again it was all off for the little forward three three from the floor and the rangy center got two. Again in this half the work of the guards stood out, though Holst continued the individual scoring rate and Schultz played fine at forward. The summary:

R. & E.

Goals	Fouls	Til
Goodrich, rf. ....	1	0
Whitman, rf. ....	2	4
Swanson, lf. ....	0	0
Corcoran, lf. ....	0	0
Brownell, c. ....	0	0
Morelli, rg. ....	0	6
Scheidel, rg. ....	1	0
Saxe, lf. ....	2	0
Total	6	10

P. & F.

Goals	Fouls	Til
Schultz, rf. ....	4	0
Anderson, rf. ....	0	0
Jasper, lf. ....	3	0
Holst, lf. ....	6	1
Paris, rg. ....	2	0
Arbur, lg. ....	1	0
Total	16	1

Personal fouls: Anderson 1, Holst 2, Paris 1, Arbur 2, Saxe 1, Morelli 2, Scheidel 2, Brownell 2, Goodrich 2, Whitman 1, Brownell 1, Morelli 1, Corcoran 1, free tries: Whitman 3, Swanson 1, Brownell 2, Scheidel 2.

UMPIRING DURING SPRING TRAINING

League Arbitrators Should Not Take Trips

(BY BILLY EVANS)  
Spring Training Trips  
The Cleveland baseball team has adopted a step in the right direction relative to the umpiring on spring training trips.  
"Red" Carney, who for years has been the outstanding umpire among the Cleveland amateurs, will tour the South with the Indians.  
For a number of years it has been customary for a major league umpire to be assigned to each club that desired an official.  
Such an assignment meant that for six weeks in the spring the umpire would live and travel with the team to which he was assigned.  
In no profession more than in umpiring does familiarity make for contempt.  
In a great many cases the spring training assignment has worked a hardship on the umpire.

I have never fancied the spring training trips. During my 19 years' connection with the American League I have turned down such offers.

Umpires Get in Bad  
The assignment has always carried with it a guarantee of from \$500 to \$1,000 and all expenses for five or six weeks' work.  
However, I have always felt that the spring training trips might make much more than that amount of trouble for the umpire after the season started.  
I know of several umpires who have had very unpleasant experiences in the South with major league clubs. All of them have now put a ban on spring work.  
In one instance trouble that arose during a tour of the South got the umpire in bad and was indirectly the cause of him having a bad season. Later he was released.  
He has always figured that the spring games worked his undoing.  
Recently President Heydler of the National League came out strongly against the practice of major league umpires working spring games.

National League View  
President Heydler stated that while he placed no ban on the umpires, he would be just as well pleased if none of them accepted southern engagements.  
If the games were mere practice affairs with no great attention paid to results, the umpiring would mean nothing. Instead the games are for blood.  
The rival teams, in an effort to uphold the prestige of their leagues, often play even harder than during the regular season.  
In a great many cases the spring series are nothing more or less than miniature world series.  
For instance, there is the series to be played this spring between Washington and New York. I think it is to be a matter of 14 games.  
This series is going to be a real battle. The umpires are going to earn far more than their allotted stipend.

The Wise System  
It would be a wise move for big league clubs to secure leading minor league officials.

The games would mean nothing to the minor league umpires. And in all probability their rulings would be received with far less kicking than that big league umpires were in charge.

Such a plan would certainly make for better umpiring from every angle.

None of the big league umpires would be in bad before the start of the season. Incidentally the system would be sure to unearth some umpires of major league caliber.

The Cleveland club, in taking an umpire that has no connection with its organization, is making a step in the right direction.

South Church Plays South Church Tonight  
The South church quintet will be host to the South Congregational church team of Hartford tonight when the two outfits oppose each other on the local boys' club court.

The New Britain lads have hung up eight victories out of 12 games played and in spite of illness of several members, have built up a smoothly working machine.

The Hartford team is entered in the church league in that city, having broken even in the six games played. The visitors outwitted the New Britain lads somewhat, but a fast game is expected.

COMMERCIAL ALLEYS  
The last ten games of home and home match between Howarth and Ed Anderson vs. Galt-Groves of Hartford will be played tonight at 8 o'clock.

STATE LEAGUE MEET  
The Inter Class A state league will open this afternoon at Rogers' alley at 2 o'clock. Bill Brannock of Rogers' alley will host Frank McDonough of Central alleys, Bristol.

There are nine games to be rolled, games to count.

BRISTOL BOWLER WINS  
The individual class A bowling league match last night was between Delaware of Bristol and Newton of New Britain. Delaware won 5 out of 9.

Delaware—104, 95, 106, 118, 105, 147, 86, 108, 100. Total 967.  
Newton—84, 72, 98, 94, 113, 100, 80, 94, 94. Total 830.

Wins Berth As Regular

Heving, Boston Red Sox Third String Catcher, First Choice of Manager Fohl



JOHN HEVING

No big league ball player made more rapid strides in 1924 than John Heving of the Boston Red Sox, pictured here.

When the 1924 season opened, Heving was practically unknown, merely the third string catcher of a club that wasn't going anywhere in particular.

Before the season closed Heving was alternating back of the bat with the Boston regulars. He has practically supplanted the two veterans, Steve O'Neill and Val McIninch.

Recently Manager Lee Fohl set at rest the status of Heving for the coming season by announcing that he would be the first string backstop of the Red Sox.

"Heving has the makings of a great catcher," says Fohl. "He hasn't quite arrived as yet, but I look for him to go big the coming season. He possesses every mechanical asset plus a wise old head."

MASCART NOW IS AFTER KID KAPLIN

Defeats Danny Frush in Second Round of Fight

Paris, Jan. 28.—Edouard Mascart retained the featherweight championship of Europe last night by knocking out Danny Frush in the second round of what was to have been a 15 round bout.

The end came after 1 minute and 20 seconds of battling in the second round. The victory of Mascart is considered as giving him the right to challenge Louis (Kid) Kaplan of Meriden, Conn., for the world featherweight title.

In the first round Mascart attempted to box with the Englishman and was outpointed by a wide margin. Frush pumped his left into the little Frenchman's face throughout, making good use of his longer reach.

Immediately the going rang for the second round, Mascart, who evidently had sized the matter in his case in the first, rushed out to the corner and began slugging furiously, unmindful of Frush's straight left.

Finally, the French boy maneuvered Frush into a neutral corner and sent a heavy left swing to the pit of the Englishman's stomach and crossed a short right to the jaw. The last blow was unnecessary, as Frush's legs already were quivering and he was sliding to the floor when the blow to the jaw landed. No count by the referee was necessary. Frush was out for several minutes.

Mascart will send a challenge to Kaplan through the International Boxing Union. "Sparrow" Robertson, who is now in the United States, has the authority to arrange the match. Ringside experts expressed the belief that Mascart last night proved beyond doubt that he is the best featherweight in Europe.

Paul Fritsch defeated Fred Bronston on points after 12 hard rounds of battling. Bronston originally had been booked to meet Johnny Dundee but Dundee returned to the United States. Bronston had difficulty in making the weight last night and announced that hereafter he will fight in the welterweight class.

Fritsch is now to meet Lucien Vinet, the European lightweight champion in an exhibition contest to choose a man to send to the United States to compete in the tournament there to obtain two contenders to battle for the world championship made vacant by Benny Leonard relinquishing his crown.

Luis Firpo, the Argentine heavyweight, dressed in evening clothes, refereed a ten round bout between the welterweights, Bill Hone of England, and Paulmele, a Frenchman. Paulmele won on points.

Firpo received a warm welcome from the French crowd. He made somewhat of a hit by the manner in which he separated the men from clutches, frequently sending them spinning when they were slow in obeying his command to break.

Dundee is downed.  
As a diversion to the regular entertainment of the evening, motion pictures showing Johnny Dundee in training the day prior to his departure for New York were thrown on a screen. The pictures were greeted with hooting and catcalls by the spectators, but there was much cheering when the official announcer informed the 7,000 persons present that Dundee had been suspended by the National Boxing Association of America for not having lived up to the terms of his contract to meet Bronston.

MACKMEN PRESENT STRONGER LINEUP

Athletics Have More New Material Than Any Other

By The Associated Press.  
Philadelphia, Jan. 28.—Connie Mack's Athletics, the mystery team of 1924, are looked upon as the most strengthened rival of the Washington Senators and New York Yankees in the quest for the 1925 American League flag.  
The sensation of the league early in 1923, only to flop back at mid-season; a team that utterly failed at the start of last year's race, the Athletics played better ball after July 4, in games won, than any other team in the league.  
Connie Mack, veteran pilot who has been in baseball since 1885, has few predictions to make. He is standing pat in the infield and outfield that finished the 1924 campaign in such excellent style but is hopeful that added strength to his battery departments will put his club in the race.

Robert (Lefty) Groves, southpaw acquired from Baltimore for a reported \$100,000, is the mainspring of Mack's hopes. Groves is counted upon to fill the gap in the twirling department. The Baltimore portlander comes to the big show heralded as one of the greatest prospects of years.

He compiled numerous strikeout records while in the International league, has a lot of stuff and the stamina to carry a big part of the pitching burden. If he lives up only partially to his minor league record, Mack believes the club will win a pennant for the first time in a decade.

For the rest of his mound staff, Mack has six veterans, headed by Eddie Rengel, famous knuckle ball ace. The others are Bryan Harries and Sam Gray, right-handers, and Meeker, Baumgartner and Heimach, southpaws. The new pitching material besides Groves includes Art Stokes, a young right-hander from the Western league, Al Glass, of Cambridge, Md., in the Eastern Shore league; and Rietz, of Portsmouth in the Virginia league; Ruble Walberg, southpaw, called from Milwaukee; Lefty Willis, from Martinsburg, of the Blue Ridge league; and Ralph Cline, another southpaw from the Ambler, Pa., semi-pro ranks.

Behind the bat, the Athletics will have veteran Cy Perkins as mainstay, with two promising newcomers Jimmie Fox, of Easton, Md., and Gordon S. Cochrane, Boston college product who was obtained from the Portland club of the Pacific coast league in a deal involving about \$2,000. Mack sent five players to Portland in payment for Cochrane—pitchers Hasty and Burns, third baseman Riebold, catcher Rowland and outfielder Shering.

In Groves and Cochrane, the Mackmen will have a \$150,000 battery—the most expensive one in baseball.

The infield, according to Mack, will start with Joe Hauser, home run clouter, at first; Max Bishop at second; Chick Galloway at short; and Jimmy Dykes at third base. The only change of a shift is that Dykes may replace Bishop at second, with Sammy Hale at the hot corner.

The regular outfield is expected to consist of Al Simmons in center; Bing Miller in left and Bill Lamar in right. Lamar's batting was a sensation at the close of last season and he is counted upon to be a big factor this year. Substitute outfield material is being looked up.

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SIX WORLD RECORDS, ONE BY NURMI, SET LAST NIGHT

Ritola Breaks Four in Three Mile Race, Osborne Makes New One in High Jump, and Paavo Sets Fourth in Three-Quarter Mile, Beating Ray and Connolly—Italian Star Also Wins At Millrose A. A.

By The Associated Press.  
New York, Jan. 28.—Six world records, one of them made by the relentless Paavo Nurmi of Finland, were established last night at the annual games of the Millrose A. A. in Madison Square Garden. Willie Ritola of the Finnish-American A. C. broke four in a three-mile race and Hapd Osborne of the Illinois A. C. leaped over a bar 6 feet 6 1/4 inches high, with apparent ease, erasing the mark set by Leroy Brown of Dartmouth.  
Nurmi's accomplishment, perhaps, was the most remarkable of an evening brimming with superb track performances, for the Olympic middle distance champion conquered Joie Ray of Chicago and Jimmy Connolly of Washington in a race at three-quarters of a mile, the shortest distance he has attempted in this country, and one believed to have given the American title-holder, Ray, the best opportunity he has had to defeat the Finn.  
The same story must be told, Nurmi, in a field of six, was last to get away, climbed steadily in the line until only Connolly and Ray were ahead of him, and then, with a lap to go, set such a furious pace that the field was ten yards behind at the end. Nurmi was looking over his shoulder as he ran the final 100 yards. His time was 3 minutes, 3 4/5 seconds.

Frigerio Also Wins.  
But Nurmi had to share the glory of the evening for Ugo Frigerio, a little dark-skinned mite from Milan, Italy, who walked, waded and swam his way to victory in the Olympic games, did the same in his first exhibition on board tracks. Far different from Nurmi is Frigerio. The Finn is reticent to the point of shyness and actually flees from publicity. The Italian revels in the cheers of an enthusiastic throng and appears to be a most capable showman, never for a moment, however, forgetting that he is a part of the competition.

Frigerio was not extended in his first start, a three mile event, but will have a good test tonight, when the best America can give, when he faces George Goulding of Canada, former Olympic champion, who is appearing in New York for the first time in eight years, and Willie Plant, the best in the United States.

Two were watched closely last night for fouls in his walking stride, which has been termed illegal. He proved himself, so far as Americans are concerned, to the extent that a petition has been sent to Italy asking that the champion be permitted to enter all amateur meets during his stay in this country. Originally he was scheduled for only two.

Goulding participated in a two-mile event and was beaten by a man who had a comparatively short handicap, but he undoubtedly lost considerable ground through two falls. Frigerio kept a close check on his next opponent's style, sitting at the side of the track.

Great Exhibition.  
About everything possible for one night had happened when Willie Ritola appeared for the three-mile race, in which Verne Booth, former Johns Hopkins star, and Iimar Prim of the Finnish-American A. C. proved to be his leading antagonists. Booth, who finished second, was more than a lap behind, in a test that established four world marks and slipped even and three-fifths, one of the record for the full distance that Ritola established in Brooklyn Saturday night. His other new times were: Two and one-quarter miles 10:33 2-5, two and one-half miles 11:45 4-5, and two and three-quarters miles 12:57 4-5. He held all of the former records.

Americans garnered much of the glory in an exceptional meet, with Osborne establishing a new mark for the high jump and Loren Murchison, greatest of indoor dash men, defeating Jackson Scholz, winner of the "220" at the Olympic games in Paris in the 60-yard sprint.

LEWIS VS. MUNN  
Stranger, Beaten on Mat, Finds Consolation When Munn Loses Decision in Court.

Independence, Mo., Jan. 28.—Wayne ("Big") Munn, who recently defeated Ed ("Strangler") Lewis, former heavyweight wrestling champion, lost his first legal bout with Lewis yesterday when Circuit Judge W. P. Hall, declined to issue a temporary restraining order against Lewis. Munn charged that Lewis had interfered with his wrestling contracts, had slandered his title as champion, and had adopted a policy of threats and intimidations. He asked a temporary restraining order, pending application for an injunction.

Judge Hall explained that his refusal was not absolute and asked Munn and his manager to show some authority for their action. The court advised Munn to bring a damage suit based upon a specific act of interference and slander.

Kid Kaplan Battles John Farr on February 8th  
Oakland, Calif., Jan. 28.—Louis ("Kid") Kaplan of Meriden, Conn., featherweight champion of the world, will meet Johnny Farr, San Francisco, in a bout here February 18. It is announced by Tommy Simpson, local promoter. It has not been decided whether the match will be ten rounds to a decision or a twelve round no-decision. Simpson said, that depending on Kaplan.

Farr is one of the leading featherweights on the Pacific coast. Simpson said he closed the match in Los Angeles.

O'Connell Coming East To Tell of Scandal  
San Francisco, Jan. 28.—Jimmy O'Connell, former outfielder for the New York Giants; George Kelly, first baseman on that team, and Johnny Couch, pitcher for the Philadelphia Nationals will leave tomorrow or Friday for New York to testify in the official criminal investigation of the world's serious bribery scandal of last fall. O'Connell was expelled from organized baseball for his part in the affair. All of the men have been spending the winter in this district.

DARCY IS WINNER  
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Johnny Darcy of New York, won the decision over Frankie Maxwell of New York in a 10-round bout here last night. The men are junior lightweights.

Ain't It a Grand and Glorious Feeling?

WHEN YOU'VE TAKEN HER TO A SWELL SHOW AND YOU SUDDENLY REALIZE SHE LIVES WAY OUT IN THE SUBURBS—AND HOW ARE YOU GOING TO GET BACK

SHE LIVES IN SUCH AN OUT-OF-THE-WAY PLACE YOU MIGHT BE HELD UP!

DOGGONE WHY DID YOU INVITE HER AND ALL PEOPLE? YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY MAKE THE LAST TRAIN BACK TO TOWN—AND—

—AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN BETWEEN THE ACTS SHE WAVES TO SOMEONE SHE KNOWS—

—AND THEN SHE SAYS "THERE'S PAPA AND MAMA—NOW I'LL NOT LET YOU TAKE ME HOME—AND YOU WAVE TO THEM TOO—"

—AND THEN YOU SURE DO ENJOY THAT SHOW MORE THAN ANYBODY—OH-H-H—BOY!! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND GLOR-R-RIOUS FEELIN'?

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